



### A very warm welcome to



#### St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School

We are a Catholic Academy, in the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle and a member of the Bishop Hogarth Catholic Education Trust. The current school building moved to a new site in 1986 and our open plan building has spaces for 210 pupils (Reception to Year 6).

There has been a St. Augustine's School in Darlington since 1876 and we are proud to continue the work of our parish school, where gospel values and Trust virtues underpin all aspects of school life. At St. Augustine's we believe every child is special and unique. We recognise the importance of educating the "whole" child. Academic excellence for all children is our key priority but we also nurture and celebrate those special gifts which make every child unique.

We have an excellent and dedicated staff team who are highly skilled, compassionate and committed. Our Local Governing Body actively supports the school. Together, we are passionate about ensuring children at St. Augustine's have a positive and happy experience, make progress in their learning and become confident, successful individuals who want to make a positive contribution to their local and wider community. Our families are supported and welcomed into all aspects of school life. We work in the spirit of Christian gospel values, in a calm, happy, purposeful atmosphere.

All are welcome in our wonderful school. Please contact the school office or look on our website so that we can arrange for you to come and look around.

Mrs Whitehead Headteacher

# Why choose our School?

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Our school is a friendly and welcoming community that opens its arms to new families, ensuring that every child feels valued and included from day one. Situated in the heart of Darlington, St. Augustine's is a popular choice for parents seeking a nurturing and dynamic educational environment. We celebrate diversity, recognising and embracing the unique backgrounds and perspectives each pupil brings.

At St. Augustine's, we are committed to helping all our pupils reach for the stars and succeed in all they do. Our dedicated staff works tirelessly to provide a supportive and challenging curriculum, tailored to meet the needs of each child.

We believe in creating an atmosphere where every pupil is encouraged to aim high, develop their talents, and achieve their full potential.

Join us at St. Augustine's, where your child's journey to success begins in a warm, inclusive, and inspiring community.

"Pupils understand that it is important to be respectful, responsible and ready for learning."



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### Dur school day

We operate a soft start from 8:40am where children can start coming in to school.

The official start time is 8:55am and the end of the school day is 3:15pm

	Morning	Afternoon
Reception	8:55am - 12:00pm	1:00pm - 3:15pm
Key Stage 1	8:55am - 12:00pm	1:00pm - 3:15pm
Key Stage 2	8:55am - 12:00pm	1:00pm - 3:15pm



## Wraparound care

Breakfast Club starts at 7:30am and costs £3.00 per day. After School Club runs until

### Dur school uniform

The school uniform can be purchased from either our school uniform supplier, Elizabeth's Embroidery, or in any supermarket.



#### **Our Uniform:**

- · Green sweatshirt / cardigan.
- · White polo shirt.
- · Grey trousers / skirt / pinafore.
- · Grey shorts (Summer only).
- Green checked dress (Summer only).
- · Sensible black shoes.

#### P.E. Uniform:

- · Plain yellow t-shirt.
- · Plain black or green shorts.
- · Plain black or green tracksuit.
- · Green sweatshirt.
- · Suitable trainers.

To order our school uniform please scan or click the QR code.





### Dur curriculum

At St. Augustine's, our curriculum is both rigorous and broad, designed to challenge and inspire our pupils. We are committed to ensuring that every child learns more and remembers more, equipping them with the knowledge and skills to excel. Our curriculum not only covers essential academic subjects but also emphasises the importance of understanding their local area and heritage.

We want our students to be deeply rooted in their community, knowing where they come from and appreciating the rich history and culture of their surroundings. Moreover, we extend their learning to global affairs, creating an awareness of international issues and diverse cultures.

Our aim is to cultivate well-rounded individuals who are not only academically proficient but also socially responsible and culturally aware.

By promoting a broad outlook on the world, we prepare our pupils to be good citizens who contribute positively to society and navigate an increasingly interconnected world with confidence and empathy.

"Pupils enjoy learning, they try hard and listen well."

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Special educational needs and disabilities

As an inclusive school, all teachers are teachers of pupils with special educational needs & disabilities (SEND). We deliver a curriculum and create an environment that meets the needs of every pupil within our school. We ensure that every pupil with SEND makes the best progress possible. We foster and promote effective working partnerships with parents, carers, pupils, and outside agencies. We consider the 'whole' child and strive to ensure that all our SEND pupils are prepared for adulthood.

St. Augustine's is an inclusive community in which every child is valued, supported and nurtured as an individual. At St. Augustine's every teacher is a teacher of every child including those with SEND. High achievement for all is our aim and all children are given fair access to the whole curriculum.

#### **Key Contacts**

• SENDCo - Mrs Coates



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### Dan Trust

is a family of 35 schools across County Durham, Darlington, Hartlepool, and Stockton-On-Tees.

Our mission is to provide the highest quality education, fostering a collaborative environment where resources and best practices are shared among our schools.

We are committed to the educational welfare of our pupils. This is why we place Christ at the centre and children at the heart.





Scan the QR code to view our school locations map







#### JUSTICE & COMPASSION

We value fairness and empathy, treating others with kindness and understanding.

#### HONESTY & RESPONSIBILITY

We prioritise truthfulness and accountability, taking ownership of our actions and decisions.

#### CONFIDENCE & RESILIENCE

We foster courage and adaptability, empowering individuals to face challenges and overcome setbacks.

#### RESPECT & SELF BELIEF

We embrace diversity and individuality, fostering an environment where everyone feels valued and confident.



# Apply for a place at St. Augustine's



Starting primary school is a very important time for you and your child, and at St. Augustine's we aim to make this a happy experience for everyone. Children can start school in our Reception class in the September of the academic year in which they will be five years old.

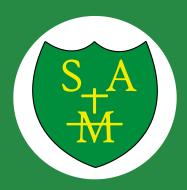
To gain a place at St. Augustine's, you will need to apply through Darlington Borough Council's website. Please click the link for more information or scan the QR code. Alternatively, you can contact the school office. <a href="https://staugustines.bhcet.org.uk/information/admissions">https://staugustines.bhcet.org.uk/information/admissions</a>



Your child will be invited to spend some informal sessions with their new teacher and other children from the class in the summer term in order to familiarise themselves with the school environment. An information evening for our new Reception class parents is also held in the summer term.

For mid-year admissions, at other times of the year or for year groups other than Reception, please go through Darlington Borough Council (https://www.darlington.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-years/admissions). We highly recommend contacting the school in the first instance for a visit.

### " have come so that they may have life and life to the full,"



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